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***Response to Arguments***

1. Applicant's arguments filed 6/29/2009 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.
2. Applicant argues the combination of Corey et al and Hiroahi et al fail to teach determining a category item for the A/V signal using feature information included in at least one of the system information and additional information of the received A/V signal. The examiner disagrees.
3. Abstract, Figures 6-7 and paragraphs 117-120 of Hiroahi et al clearly shown that the GENRE contains the category item of the A/V signal, for example, Sports, News, or Adult Movie...etc. The genre information is for **the short programs** information of channels. Paragraph 16 of Hiroahi et al teach the genre information comes with the broadcast A/V signal in the schedule\_EIT. Claim 14 of the instant application also describes the EIT is one of the claimed system information. Therefore, the combination of Corey et al and Hiroahi et al teach determining a category item for the A/V signal using feature information included in at least one of the system information and additional information of the received A/V signal.

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